GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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EXCISE DUTY ON OUTPUT OF DIGBOI REFINERY
MONI KUMAR SUBBA

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has announced a reduction in excise duty on the total output of Digboi Refinery;

(b) if so, whether this has been done, against the demand of cent percent relief in excise duty for ten years made by the Refinery Authorities;

(c): if so, the grounds adduced by the refinery Authorities in support of their demand and the Government`s reaction thereto; and

(d): the cost of production of different products of Digboi Refinery, compare with those of other refineries in the country, including those in the private sector units?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINIS PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): Yes, Sir.

(c): Excise duty concession is required to improve the viability of the refinery.

(d): The operating cost per Metric Tonne (MT) of production at Digboi refinery and other refineries of the Indian Oil Corporation for the period April-December 2001 is given below:

Rs./MT

Refinery	Apr-Dec`01
Guwahati	1483
Barauni	679
Gujarat	368
Haldia	737
Mathura	326
Panipat	469
Digboi	2120